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Dear Senator Tower:

I moved to Houston three months ago, and I am thus one of your newer constituents. I am writing to you today about a matter with which you are already familiar. As you know, the Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg saved 100,000 Jews from Nazi death camps, but was himself tragically imprisoned by the Russians after the war because, in their paranoia, they believed him to be some sort of an American intelligence agent. Since 1945, the Soviets have given us contradictory stories, but have maintained that Wallenberg died of a heart attack in 1947. However, he has been seen by many ex-Soviet prisoners in recent years.

When President Carter tried to obtain Mr. Wallenberg's release, there was little he could do because Wallenberg was not an American citizen. As you know, Mr. Wallenberg is now an honorary American citizen and our hands are no longer tied.

Mr. Tower, hundreds of Nazi War criminals are now free. If they are free, should not Mr. Wallenberg, who did so much for civilization, also be free? My feeling, Mr. Tower, is that if civilization

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to arrive, people such as you and me  
must do all we can to help people like  
Mr. Wallenberg. If people like him are  
allowed to be imprisoned for decades, who  
will we have if there is ever another  
genocidal holocaust?

Now that Mr. Wallenberg is an  
American citizen, I urge you to do all  
you can to bring the fullest diplomatic  
and international pressure on the Soviets  
to release him. Please let me know your  
feelings on this matter, as well as your  
plans and ideas. By all means, let me  
know how I can help. Thank you, Mr. Towner.

Sincerely,

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